Nebraska Congressman Adrian Smith accepted the National Association of Manufacturers Award for Manufacturing Legislative Excellence at the Nebraska Business and Industrial Products Show in Grand Island.

"I am honored to receive this award," said Smith. Nebraska is an agriculture state and a manufacturing state. The Third District alone is home to more than 300 manufacturing facilities employing nearly 27,000 people. In this economy it is essential we remove red tape on our manufacturers, and work to make sure our exports are competitive abroad."

"Manufacturers today compete in a global marketplace," said NAM President and CEO Jay Timmons. "It is critical that Washington creates policies to keep us competitive and maintain our mantle of economic leadership. Congressman Smith understands this and has consistently supported the pro-manufacturing agenda through his votes in Congress."

The National Association of Manufacturers is the largest manufacturing association in the United States, representing manufacturers in every industrial sector and in all 50 states.